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TO AMCONSUL LOURENCO MARQUES IMMEDIATE

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SUBJECT: HIGH COMMISSIONER REQUESTS CLOSURE OF
CONSULATE

REF: LOURENCO MARQUES 656

1. AS THE PORTUGUESE HIGH COMMISSIONER CORRECTLY POINTS OUT, YOU AND YOUR STAFF WILL HAVE NO OFFICIAL STATUS FROM DATE OF INDEPENDENCE UNTIL RELATIONS ARE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE NEW GOVERNMENT AND USG. FYI: THERE ARE NO APPARENT PRECEDENTS ON RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF CONSULAR OFFICERS IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. WE WISH TO MAKE NO PUBLIC STATEMENTS PREJUDICING OUR POSITION END FYI. IT IS ASSUMED HERE THAT THIS PERIOD OF LIMBO STATUS FOR THE POST WILL BE SHORT. IF THIS ASSUMPTION PROVES FALSE AND THE SITUATION STARTS TO DRAG ON INDEFINITELY OTHER ALTERNATIVES WILL BE CONSIDERED (E.G. TURN OVER OUR INTERESTS TO A PROTECTING POWER).

2. MEANWHILE THE GUIDANCE YOU REQUESTED IN REFTEL IS AS FOLLOWS.

3. RE PARA TWO OF REFTEL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT SHOULD STATE THAT

CONGEN WILL BE CLOSED TO PUBLIC BEGINNING JUNE 25.

4. REGARDING PARA THREE REFTEL:

A. CONCUR CLOSING OFFICE TO PUBLIC. SINCE OFFICERS WILL HAVE NO LEGAL STATUS NO CONSULAR SERVICES, INCLUDING PASSPORT ISSUANCE, SHOULD BE PROVIDED. AMERICAN CITIZENS MAY BE REFERRED TO THE NEAREST U.S. POST, PRESUMABLY MBABANE OR JOHANNESBURG.

B. YOUR PROPOSAL RE HANDLING U.S. CITIZENS SEEKING HELP MAY BE IMPLEMENTED AT YOUR DISCRETION. THERE ARE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRECEDENTS FOR THIS EVEN IN ABSENCE OFFICIAL STATUS.

C. CONCUR WITH YOUR PROPOSAL RE STAFFING. IF IN YOUR OPINION SITUATION WARRANTS IT YOU MAY LIMIT AMERICAN STAFF PRESENCE IN OFFICE TO ESSENTIAL PERSONNEL ONLY.

D. CONCUR DESTROYING OR TRANSFERRING BY JUNE 24TH COURIER ALL REMAINING CLASSIFIED FILES. SEPTTEL FOLLOWS

CONCERNING STORAGE OR POSSIBLE REDUCTION OF POST'S
CRYPTO HOLDINGS. SEPTTEL WILL CONCUR PRETORIA/POST
ARRANGEMENTS ON TRANSMITTING TRAFFIC.

E. CONCUR DISCONTINUANCE COURIER SERVICE AFTER JUNE 24.
FUTURE CLASSIFIED POUCHES WILL BE HELD IN THE DEPARTMENT.
THOSE ALREADY IN PIPELING SHOULD BE HELD BY PRETORIA; UNTIL
COURIER SERVICE RESUMED.

F, G, H CONCUR. CONCUR ON (I) ALSO BUT NOTIFICATION
SHOULD STATE THAT CONGEN WILL BE CLOSED TO PUBLIC
BEGINNING JUNE 25.

5. POST SHOULD ADVISE WHETHER UNACCOMPANIED AIR AND
SURFACE POUCH SHIPMENTS SHOULD BE CONTINUED.

6. DEPARTMENT IMPOSING MINIMIZE ON LM EFFECTIVE THIS
DATE. KISSINGER

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